Level crossing opening the old Chinnakada Road for traffic.

277. *MR. S. NARAYANA PILLAI : Will the Government be pleased to state what, if any steps they have taken for providing a level crossing opening the old Chinnakada road for traffic ?

MR. S. SESHA AIYAR : No steps have been taken.

MR. S. NARAYANA PILLAI : May I know, Sir, if representations had been made to Government in regard to this matter ?

MR. S. SESHA AIYAR : Yes, Sir.

MR. S. NARAYANA PILLAI : May I know, Sir, why no steps have been taken ?

MR. S. SESHA AIYAR : The question was considered by Government and orders were passed thereon.

MR. P. KUNJUKRISHNAN : May I know what orders were passed ?

MR. S. SESHA AIYAR : As the portion comes under the Municipality, Goverment have ordered that the Municipality should bear the cost of this work.

MR. P. KUNJUKRISHNAN : Will the Government be pleased to open a level-crossing there with the assistance of the Municipality ?

MR. S. SESHA AIYAR : The Municipality have to do the whole of it

Bridge at Palai.

278. *MR. P. SIVARAMA PILLAI (*Meenachil* cum *Todupuzha*) : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) whether they have ever attempted to construct a bridge across the Minachil river at Palai ;

(*b*) if the answer to part (*a*) is in the affirmative under what circumstances did that attempt fail ;

(*c*) whether they have received representations from the public praying for the construction of that bridge ; and

(*d*) what action, if any, was taken on it ?

MR. S. SESHA AIYAR : (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) The bridge that was partly constructed was damaged in the floods of 1104.

(*c*) Yes.

(*d*) An estimate for a high level bridge was prepared by the P. W. D., but on account of paucity of funds it was decided that the work should wait until funds become available.

MR. N. V. JOSEPH (*Meenachil* cum *Todupuzha*) : As regards the answer to part (*d*) may I know what was the estimate ?

MR. S. SESHA AIYAR : The original estimate was for Rs. 44,200.

MR. N. V. JOSEPH : What happened to the damaged materials ?

MR. S. SESHA AIYAR : They have been stacked at the site.

MR. N. V. JOSEPH : What is the present estimate as regards part (*d*) ?

MR. S. SESHA AIYAR : The present estimate as prepared comes up to Rs. 2,20,000.

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MR. N. V. JOSEPH: Will the Government be pleased to say whether any bridge has been constructed in Travancore at a cost approximating to this amount?

MR. S. SESHA AIYAR: Yes.

MR. N. V. JOSEPH: How many?

MR. S. SESHA AIYAR: About 2 or 3.

Shifting of Courts at Kottayam.

279. *MR. P. SIVARAMA PILLAI: Will the Government be pleased to state whether any estimate and plan have been prepared and approved by the Government for shifting all the Courts in Kottayam to the place where the District Court is at present situated?

MR. S. SESHA AIYAR: No.

The Vilanguparakadavu-Thidanad road and the Vilanguparakadavu-Vazhamattam road in the Minachil Taluk.

280. *MR. P. SIVARAMA PILLAI: Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether they have received representations from the public praying for the improvement and construction of Vilanguparakadavu-Thidanad road and the Vilanguparakadavu-Vazhamattom road in the Minachil taluk; and

(*b*) if so, what action was taken on them?

MR. S. SESHA AIYAR: (*a*) No.

(*b*) This does not arise.

The Parur-Angamali road.

281. *MR. JOSEPH VITHAYATHIL (*Kunnatnad* cum *Parur*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether they have not sanctioned the construction of a road from Parur to Angamali *via* Mangaly;

(*b*) when was the sanction given;

(*c*) whether the first section of the work has not been done;

(*d*) whether they have not received representations regarding the commencement of the second section of the work; and

(*e*) what steps, if any, have been taken in the matter?

MR. S. SESHA AIYAR: (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) The first section in 1928 and the second section in 1931.

(*c*) Yes.

(*d*) Yes.

(*e*) A preliminary investigation has been made.

Beggars in the State.

282. *MR. P. K. KUMARAN (*Kunnatnad* cum *Parur*): Will the Government be pleased to state whether they have taken any statistics of the beggars in the State?

RAO BAHADUR RAJYASEVANIRATA DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI: No.

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